

balance cost of Rs. 4800 crores, the Government of Maharashtra provides an outlay of Rs. 300 - Rs. 350 crores annually. Augmentation of resources through alternative ways such as public borrowings has become imperative, according to the proposal. The Government of Maharashtra considers that a minimum of Rs. 750 crores will have to be raised during the Eighth Plan and the efforts can be stepped up further during the IX Plan to raise another Rs. 1500 cores or so for this purpose.

(c) Since the total investible resources for the market borrowing programme, both for Central and State Governments, are limited, presently the proposal for bonds has not been considered favourably and there is no scope for allowing any additional allocation to Maharashtra Government over and above the borrowing programme already approved.

Setting up of Public Undertakings in Neighbouring Areas of Delhi

4405. SHRI BALRAJ PASSI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up some public and semi-public undertakings in the neighbouring areas of Delhi; and

(b) if so, the locations and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K.

THUNGON): (a) There is no proposal at present under consideration of the Government to set up an new public section under takings in the neighbouring areas of Delhi during the remaining period of the current year.

(b) Does not arise.

Industrial Sickness in Bihar and Gujarat

4406. SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:
SHRI HARIN PATHAK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is large scale industrial sickness in Bihar and Gujarat;

(b) the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the guidelines being issued to State Governments by the Union Government for removing industrial sickness and the details of the resources/assistance provided thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) and (b). Data on sick industrial units assisted by banks in the country are compiled by the Reserve Bank of India. As per the RBI data, the details of sick industrial units in the States of Bihar and Gujarat, as at the end of September, 1989, are as follows:

<i>Name of the State</i>	<i>No. of sick units in small scale sector</i>	<i>No. of sick units in Non-Small scale Sector</i>
Bihar	5,250	42
Gujarat	6,302	154

A number of causes, both external and internal, are responsible for industrial sick-

ness. The major causes, as reported by the banks, relate, marketing, financial, labour

and production problems, management deficiencies, power shortage, demand recession and natural calamities.

(c) As far as sick units in the Non-Small Scale Sector are concerned, no finance is provided to the State Governments by Central Government. Under the Margin Money Scheme, the Central Government provides funds to the State Governments for revival of the sick units in the small scale sector. As at the end of March, 1991, the total amount sanctioned to the Government of Bihar by the Central Government under the Margin Money Scheme for revival of sick small scale units amounted to Rs. 23 lakhs. In respect of Gujarat, no request has been received by the Ministry of Industry from the Government of Gujarat to sanction any amount under this scheme.

Food Processing Industries in Uttar Pradesh

4407. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up fruit and vegetable based industries at Man and Aazamgarh districts of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such industries functioning in Uttar Pradesh and the details of assistance given to them during the last three years;

(d) whether any proposal to set up such industries in Uttar Pradesh is pending with the Union Government for approval; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to clear the proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRIGIRIDHARGOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There are 335 fruits and vegetable processing units licensed under Fruit Products Order in Uttar Pradesh. No assistance has been sought from Central Govt. for setting up fruits and vegetable units by Uttar Pradesh Government in the last 3 years.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

[English]

Upgradation of Standards of All Products

4408. DR. KARTIKESHWAR PATRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to amalgamate the ISI, Agmark, Woolmark ICAR and CSIR and CSIR in order to formulate policies and guidelines for upgradation of all domestic, industrial and agricultural products conforming to the international standards; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the details of suggestions received from the European Economic community?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHIR KAMALUD-DIN AHMED): (a) No, Sir

(b) No suggestions have been received from the European Economic Community in this connection.